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**OFFICER TRAINING PROGRAM EXAMINING
CENTERS (OTPEC)**

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SUMMARY OF REVISIONS

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members applying for an officer training program (paragraph 2.4.1.1.); changes address where AFROTC medical examinations are sent (paragraph 2.4.1.2.); deletes OTPECs at bases closed or that have been realigned (paragraph 2.4.1.3.); allows SOAR and AECF applicants to be serviced by overseas installations when OTPECs are not available (paragraph 2.6.); adds a Glossary (**Attachment 1**); modifies listing of OTPECs at bases impacted by base realignment and closure (previously **Attachment 1**); renumbers **Attachment 2** to **Attachment 3** titled Project Officer's Role with Applicants; and updates office symbols and publication references. See the last attachment (**Attachment 4**) of the publication, IC 98-1, for the complete IC. A vertical bar (|) indicates revision from the previous edition.

1. OPTEC's Mission. Upon request from agencies requiring the services of the OTPEC, schedules administration and processes qualifying examinations and interviews for individuals who apply for training leading to a commission in the United States Air Force (USAF). These examinations determine the eligibility of applicants for commissioning programs.

2. Responsibilities:

2.1. Headquarters (HQ) USAF, Accessions, Separations, and Quality Force (DPFPA) monitors the OTPEC program and establishes OTPECs in coordination with major commands (MAJCOM).

2.2. MAJCOMs staff and supervise OTPECs.

2.3. Commanders of installations with an OTPEC mission:

2.3.1. Appoint a primary project officer.

2.3.2. Ensure the budget officer includes funding for lodging of civilian OTS applicants in the installation's operations and maintenance budget.

2.3.3. Notify recruiting squadrons and HQ AFROTC/RRU (Scholarships Branch), 551 East Maxwell Blvd, Maxwell AFB AL 36112-6106 of any unusual delays in completing examinations (Continental United States (CONUS) OTPECs only).

2.4. The project officer acts as liaison between agencies requiring the services of the OTPEC and on-base agencies that support the OTPEC. The project officer:

2.4.1. Upon request from HQ AFROTC and detachments:

2.4.1.1. Schedules qualifying examinations for Air Force enlisted members applying for ASCP, POC-ERP, SOAR, and AECF.

2.4.1.2. Sends completed medical examinations on USAFA applicants and Department of Defense Medical Examination Review Board (DODMERB) sponsored applicants to DODMERB, 8034 Edgerton Drive, Suite 132, USAF Academy CO 80840-2200; on OTS applicants to 550 D Street West, Suite 1, Randolph AFB TX 78150-4527 and on AFROTC applicants to the AFROTC (SOAR).

2.4.1.3. DELETED.

2.4.2. Upon request from USAF recruiting squadrons, schedules medical examinations and the AFOQT for OTS applicants. (Recruiting squadrons give CONUS applicants meal tickets and

transportation between the recruiting area and the nearest OTPEC, according to the Joint Federal Travel Regulation, volume 1.)

2.4.3. Asks the Commander of Services to arrange for food service, lodging and candidate fitness testing.

2.4.3.1. Provides free meals to civilian OTS Commissioning Program applicants. (Other applicants pay the established meal rates.)

2.4.3.2. Houses individuals in pay grades E-5 and E-6 in visiting airmen's quarters that meet adequacy standards outlined in AFI 32-6005, *Unaccompanied Personnel Housing and Temporary Lodging Facilities* (formerly AFR 90-9).

2.4.4. Contacts the Director of Base Medical Services (DBMS) for medical examinations. (If the installation's medical facilities cannot complete the examinations, the DBMS requests supplemental medical services according to AFI 41-115, *Individuals Authorized Health Care and Health Care Benefits in the Military Health Services System* and Air Force Handbook (AFH) 41-114, *Individuals Authorized Health Care in the Military Health Services System*, (formerly AFR 168-6.)

2.4.5. Contacts the Military Personnel Flight for AFOQT test support; ensures test facilities and equipment meet requirements, and the AFOQT is administered according to AFI 36-2605, *Air Force Military Personnel Testing System* (formerly AFR 35-8).

2.4.6. Gives the USAFA Candidate Fitness Test Handbook to candidates for the USAFA and USAFA Preparatory School.

2.4.7. Processes applicants within 3 consecutive days.

2.4.8. Sends a memorandum to each applicant according to the instructions in [Attachment 3](#).

2.5. The Department of Defense Medical Examination Review Board schedules medical examinations for the regular airmen and civilians applying for the USAFA and USAFA Preparatory School and for civilians applying for the 4-year AFROTC-CSP.

2.6. When possible, overseas installations not having an OTPEC mission honor requests to provide AFROTC CSP/ASCP/POC-ERP/SOAR/AECP.

3. Direct Communication. The designated OTPECs may correspond with the director of admissions, HQ USAFA/RRS; HQ AFROTC/RRU and recruiting squadrons about individual applications.

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Attachment 1**GLOSSARY OF REFERENCES AND SUPPORTING INFORMATION*****References***

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AFI 36-2013, *Officer Training School (OTS) and Airman Commissioning Programs*

Abbreviations and Acronyms

AECP—Airman Education and Commissioning Program

AFOQT—Air Force Officer Qualifying Test

AFROTC—Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps

ASCP—Airman Scholarship and Commissioning Program

CSP—College Scholarship Program

CONUS—Continental United States

DBMS—Director of Base Medical Services

DODMERB—Department of Defense Medical Examination Review Board

ERP—Early Release Program

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Davis-Monthan AFB AZ	Minot AFB ND	Seymour Johnson AFB NC
Dyess AFB TX	Moody AFB GA	Shaw AFB SC
		Whiteman AFB MO

AIR FORCE MATERIEL COMMAND

Edwards AFB CA	McClellan AFB CA	Tinker AFB OK
Eglin AFB FL	Robins AFB GA	Wright-Patterson AFB OH
Hill AFB UT		

AIR MOBILITY COMMAND

Andrews AFB DC	Grand Forks AFB ND	McGuire AFB NJ
Charleston AFB SC	MacDill AFB FL	Scott AFB IL
Dover AFB DE	McChord AFB WA	Travis AFB CA
Fairchild AFB WA	McConnell AFB KS	

AIR EDUCATION AND TRAINING COMMAND

Altus AFB OK	Lackland AFB TX	Maxwell AFB AL
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Keesler AFB MS	Little Rock AFB AR	Sheppard AFB TX
		Travis AFB CA

AIR FORCE SPACE COMMAND

Malmstrom AFB MT

PACIFIC AIR FORCES

Elmendorf AFB AK

Hickam AFB HI

Kadena AB JA

Yokota AB JA

UNITED STATES AIR FORCES IN EUROPE

RAF Lakenheath UK

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USAFA, Colorado Springs CO

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PROJECT OFFICER'S ROLE WITH APPLICANTS

A3.1. Send each applicant a memorandum stating reporting requirements, processing schedules, and other pertinent information. For USAFA candidates, send a sample copy of the memorandum to Director of Admissions, HQ USAFA/RRS, 2304 Cadet Drive, Suite 200, USAF Academy CO 80840-5025.

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Attachment 4**IC 98-1 TO AFI 36-2001, OFFICER TRAINING PROGRAM EXAMINING CENTERS (OTPEC)****14 SEPTEMBER 1998****SUMMARY OF REVISIONS**

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